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## Grace Reformed Church.

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### SABBATH SERVICES.

Sabbath School..... 9:30 A. M.  
Church Service ..... 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.  
V. P. S. C. E. .... 6:45 P. M.  
Junior V. P. S. C. E. .... 2 P. M.  
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday ..... 7:30 P. M.

The Winona Bible Conference begins August 21 and closes August 31.

The ladies are talking rummage sale. Get your things ready and solicit from your neighbors and friends.

The pastor expects to arrange for a series of gospel meetings early in the fall, possibly during the latter part of October, or the first of November.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary Society for the month of September will be held at the home of Mrs. H. J. Straub, 621 West Third street.

The pastor and his family are going to Winona August 18, to remain until the close of the Bible Conference, August 31st. The pastor will be home, however, for the services on Sunday, August 21st.

The attendance at our Sabbath morning services, and at the prayer meetings has been something exceptional for this season of the year. It has been very gratifying to the pastor, we can assure you, to see such a good attendance at these services. We are sure the people will be richly rewarded for their faithfulness, and a greater blessing will come to the Church. The pastor has no inclination whatever to be away from the Church, for he feels certain that if the Church will keep up its spiritual fervor, and life, we shall have a great victory and harvest of souls.

The pastor will organize a Catechetical class about the 1st of October. The class will continue the study of the Catechism until next spring. There are a large number of boys and girls of ten years and older, in our Sunday Schools, who should join the class.

At the weekly prayer meetings the pastor is at present giving a series of studies in the tenth chapter of John—the Shepherd and the Sheep. These are delightful services and it seems a great misfortune that so many of our people are missing all these good things.

### Aid to the Heidelberg Catechism.

We are just in receipt of a little book from the Reformed Publishing House, at Cleveland, Ohio, entitled, "Aid to the Heidelberg Catechism." The book comes from the pen of Dr. James I. Good, the Dean of the Seminary of the Reformed Church at Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Good is the author of a number of books on Reformed Church History, etc. He has made this study a speciality, and has availed himself of every possible advantage and opportunity of ascertaining all about the history of the Reformed Church.

This little book, which is just fresh from the press, should commend itself with special favor to all our Reformed families. While we have had many editions of, and aids to, the Heidelberg Catechism and manuals of Church History, this little book commends itself to our people not only because of its intrinsic worth, but also because it is inexpensive, and every child in the Church can afford to have a copy of it. In one little volume you have the catechism in full, with text proof, 118 pages. Following the catechism there are 104 pages of Old and New Testament Bible History. Twenty-four pages of Reformed Church History, giving us the origin of the Reformed Church in Switzerland and Germany, and its founding in America. Following the history of the Church there is a collection of hymns for catechumens; advice to catechumens, and prayers. We speak of the book as a little book and yet it is quite a volume. It has nearly 300 pages, and is indeed, a library in itself, and just what every family and member in the Church should have

for study and reference. There are scores of our families who do not even have a copy of the catechism in their possession, much less anything of a Bible history, or history of the Reformed church. This accounts for the fact that many of our people know so comparatively little about their church, its history, its doctrines, customs and government. The pastors of our churches will do a good work if they will see to it that copies of this book will get into their families and will be introduced into their catechetical classes. The price of the book is 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen. We should like very much to place a copy of the book into every family in Grace Church, and we expect to use the book in our catechetical class which we shall organize early in the fall.

### Deaths.

Mrs. Mary Kaylor died at the home of her son, on Grant avenue, Wednesday, July 6. She was born near Greensburg, Pa., December 28, 1822. She was aged 81 years, 6 months and 8 days. She was married to Peter Kaylor, May 8, 1842. Together with her husband, she came to Allen county, Indiana, in 1856. For twenty-five years she has been a resident of Fort Wayne. In her youth she united with the Lutheran church; later, when she came to this state, she connected herself with the Methodist church. About eight years ago she was received into membership with the Grace Reformed, of which she remained a consistent member until the time of her death. For two months prior to her death she had been gradually failing in strength and became very feeble, until finally the

Lord came and took her unto himself. During all of her recent illness she was eagerly awaiting the day when the Lord might send his chariots for her. To her it was a happy moment when the end came and she could go home to be forever with the Lord. This aged mother leaves to mourn her death, one sister, two daughters five sons and twenty-five grandchildren and twenty-seven great-grandchildren. The funeral services were held from Grace church Friday, afternoon, July 8th, after which the remains were taken to New Haven for burial.

August C. Katt died at the Hope Hospital Thursday evening, July 7. He was born in the province of Hanover, Germany, March 24, 1856. He was aged 48 years, 3 months, and 13 days. Mr. Katt had been ailing for more than a year past, and as a last alternative, in the hope that his life might be spared, he submitted to an operation from which he died only a few hours after he came out of the operating room. In all of his distress and suffering he was always cheerful and uncomplaining and considerate about the welfare and happiness of his family. Mr. Katt came to Fort Wayne with his parents when he was ten years of age, and resided here until the time of his death. He was energetic in business, and had won for himself a large circle of friends. His one great delight was to provide for his home, and to make his family happy. In infancy he was consecrated to the Lord in holy baptism, and at an early period in life was received into full membership with the Lutheran church. He leaves to mourn his death,

his wife, one daughter and four sons. One son preceded the father to the eternal world. The funeral services were held from the home on South Harrison street, Monday morning, July 11. Our earnest prayer is that the Lord may comfort this bereaved and sorrowing household.

Thursday, July 28, the pastor was summoned to his old home at Glenford, Ohio, to attend the funeral of his aged mother. The services were held Saturday afternoon, July 30th. A full obituary notice will appear in the September issue of the VISTOR.

At the close of the services on Sabbath morning, August 5th, the pastor asked for an offering to pay for the coming winter's supply of coal and some repairs on the church. The amount asked for was one hundred dollars or more. The members responded very cheerfully and liberally. The amounts given were from one to five dollars. By the time others who were not present at this service will contribute their proportion, the amount needed will be easily raised. Those who have not already given to this fund can report at any time to the pastor, to L. W. Hills, or to the church treasurer, W. F. Close.

The semi-annual statements issued by the financial secretary were out for distribution the second Sunday of July. If you have not already received your statement inquire of the financial secretary, W. A. Hobson. If any of the members wish subscription cards to fill out they can secure them at any of our services, either from the secretary or pastor.

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Miss Gertrude Thompson spent the month of July with friends in Grand Rapids, Mich.

July 3 Edward Frederick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roeger, was baptized by the pastor.

Mrs. John Gebert and two sons have just returned from a visit with friends in Philadelphia.

June 19 the pastor baptized Margaret Josephine, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Saffen.

Mrs. Bitner and sons, Arthur and Frank, have returned from a visit with relatives in Elkhart, Ind.

Mrs. W. F. Close and Miss Josephine Zartman spent a very pleasant week during July at Clear Lake.

Wednesday evening prayer meeting studies in the 10th chapter of John for August and September, are as follows: The Shepfold, The Door, The Shepherd, The Sheep, The Lambs, The Pasture Grounds, The Wolf, The Life Abundant. How many of these meetings will *you attend*?

Recently the pastor spent a day out in the country with some of our families near Thurman Station. We took the train in the morning at six o'clock and went to Thurman, where we were met by Mr. Ed. Chausse, who took us to his home and later in the

forenoon, took us across the country to see Mrs. Gebert, who has been very ill for a month or more. We found her feeling some better, but far from being well. On our way back we stopped at Mr. Edwards' where we took dinner and spent a part of the afternoon. The remaining part of the day was spent at the home of Mr. Chausse, where we ate our supper and tarried until the eight o'clock train, when we returned home. We had altogether a very pleasant day with these good people in the country. We never cease to regret that these families are so far away from the city and have so few opportunities of getting to our services, and to the social gatherings of the church. We are hoping that within a year or so the Fort Wayne & Bryan Interurban Line will be built, and then they can reach the city quite conveniently, and they shall be at our services quite often.

The Mission Sunday School on South Lafayette street, is keeping good place during these warm summer Sabbaths. They have a good average attendance, and are doing excellent work. We wish our Mission Board might give us a man to place in that portion of the city. We believe there is a good opening there for the Reformed Church, and some day we hope to see an organization effected in that community.

Buy your winter supply of coal from J. P. Tinkham, 120 West Main street. He is one of the oldest dealers in the city and is reliable in every way.

Ruth Gumper is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Rev. C. M. Schaaf at Prospect, Ohio.



Mr. Ed. C. Close has gone to Boston to attend the G. A. R. reunion.

The ladies of Section No. 2 will give the next social and supper Thursday evening, September 1st.

The Orphan Home anniversary will be held Thursday, August 25. Dinners and suppers will be served at the Home as in former years. The program consisting of addresses and music will be given in the afternoon. It is hoped that as many of our people as can possibly do so, will go out and spend the day at the Home.

**JULY WEDDING.** Thursday afternoon, July 28, H. Ross Masterson and Miss Mable Kauffman were united in marriage at the home of the groom's parents, 1219 East Washington street. There were fifty or more guests present to witness the ceremony and partake of the bounteous wedding dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Masterson have the congratulations of their many friends, and we wish for them a very happy and prosperous married life.

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## TOPICS AND LEADERS.

## AUGUST

4. God Guiding Us 1 Chron. 29:10-12; Luke 12:1-7. Edith Hobson.

14. Obedience. Gen. 22:1-8. Harry Metzner.

21. Standing Alone for God. Rom 8:31-39. Lulu Bitner.

28. Missionary Heroes. Heb. 11:32-40. W. F. Close.

## SEPTEMBER

4. Courage. Ps 144:1-5; Acts 28:15. Barney Hattle.

11. Heaven. John 14:1-3; Rev. 21:1-8. Anna Doermer.

18. How the World is Growing Better. Ps. 37:1-13; Eccl 7, 10. Leaderless.

25. City Evangelization and Home Missions. Acts 8, 4:8. Fannie Shadle.

The next business meeting of the Young Peoples Society will be held Tuesday evening, September 5, at the home of Miss William Saffen, 1213 E. Washington street.

The Young People are very much pleased with the results of their ice cream social. They cleared fifteen dollars, and have turned the entire amount over to the church treasurer to be applied on the current expenses of the church.

Josephine Zartman was the guest of Miss Bertha Crouse, of Winona Lake, July 11.

The pastor and Mrs. Zartman spent a day at Winona Lake, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Parley Zartman.

Mrs. Neuenschwander has gone to St. Paul, Minn., to visit her sons. She will spend the entire summer with them.

The ladies of section one gave a social at the church August 4. They will clear about twenty-four dollars. Section II will give their supper Thursday evening, September 1st.

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